UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION 2

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SUBJECT: Redelegation of Authority to Execute Federal Register Notices in Certain CERCLA Cases

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EPA Delegation 1-21 ("Federal Register") authorizes Regional Administrators to sign and submit various documents for publication in the *Federal Register*. Among these are "General notices, including but not limited to: extension or reopening of a public comment period; public hearings; availability of publications, reports, and guidelines..." The delegation allows Regional Administrators to redelegate this authority to the Division Director level.

In a Regional Order dated July 25, 1994, Region 2's then-RA, Jeanne M. Fox, redelegated to the Deputy Regional Administrator the authority to sign the aforementioned types of general notices (as well as certain other types of documents) and submit them for publication in the Federal Register. In item 5 of that redelegation, she provided that the authority to sign and submit general notices may be further redelegated to the Division Director level.

In accordance with this provision, I hereby redelegate to the Director of ERRD the authority to sign and submit for publication in the *Federal Register* notices under Section 122(i) of CERCLA of any settlement under Sections 122(g) or 122(h) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. § 9622(g), 9622(h).

This memo supersedes a memo signed November 15, 2002 by then-DRA William J. Muszynski. The effect of this memo is to broaden the scope of authority redelegated to the Director of ERRD in 2002 to include 1) settlements under Section 122(h), whether or not total response costs at the facility exceed \$2,000,000 and 2) settlements under Section 122(g).